

Did it exist in an English translation, it would go far towards quenching the thirst of the educated laity for profound theological knowledge.»

— Walter Farrel, O.P., in *The American Ecclesiastical Review*

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*Are You called to be an Oblate Brother* (Oblate Fathers - Inchicore Dublin, Ireland). 3 pp. (12 1/2 × 18 1/2 cm.).

The Oblate Fathers are well known throughout Ireland as preachers of Parish Missions and Retreats. They are distinguished by the large Crucifix they always carry on their breast.

What is not so well known is the fact that the same Crucifix and Habit is worn by a splendid and devoted Brotherhood attached to the Congregation of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate. The object of this little folder is to tell something of the Oblate Brothers—their vocation and their work—as fellow workers in the Missionary Apostolate of the Congregation.

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Rev. ROGER BULIARD, O.M.I. — « *Inuk* » (322 pp.). Straus and Young. \$ 3.50.

« *Time Magazine* » (May 28th) writes about Fr. Buliard's « *Inuk* »:

As a Roman Catholic schoolboy... Roger Buliard dreamed of an adventurous life in the service of Christ. The dream became a dedication..... For 15 years he roamed the Arctic..... gradually falling in Arctic life, superb account that blends the impersonal love with the place. *Inuk*..... is the record of his acuteness of an anthropologist with the loving warmth of a truly religious man...

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« *The Ensign* » (June 16th):

Other writers only visited the Eskimos... Father Buliard lived with them for fifteen years. Here is the finest book ever written about the Eskimo — the fascinating, brutal and heroic story of a savage people... whose only light was the torch of religion held high by an heroic priest.

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« *Miami Herald* » Fla. (June 3rd):

..... Almost as remarkable as the struggle of these primitives is the courage of the priests like Father Buliard who have devoted their lives to these savage people..... With rare sympathy and even a sense of humor, Father Buliard tells a fascinating story of his life among these savages.....

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« *Newark News* » N.J. (June 5th):

..... Father Buliard, it should be noted, is what may be called a spiritual realist or perhaps a realistic spiritualist. Give him a tough character to deal with..... and he can be tough too. He has no illusions about the Eskimos..... and he expresses no sugary sentiments about the harsh lands.....

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« *Herald Tribune* » (July 1st):

..... Other missionaries have written books..... essentially religious tracts.. to help raise funds. This one is noteworthy as a bona-fide first-person account of Catholic missionary endeavor in the Canadian High North by a priest who has lived there year in, year out; and it is an absorbing and authentic document vividly, feelingly, and not at all stuffily, told.....

« *Kabloona* »... was fascinatingly written, but its picture of the Eskimos.. was subjective and fanciful.....

This is not the case with « Inuk, » which can be at once classified. It may then be read as a truly instructive and enjoyable book by a Catholic missionary..... a work of enduring value. (Richard Finnie)

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« *Houston Press* » Texas (June 8th):

When I reached *Inuk* in my pile of books to be scanned, for review possibilities, I muttered, « A book by a missionary is about the last thing I want to read. » My sales resistance stiffened, too, when I noted immediately that the author was not even a Baptist. Thus I welcomed the additional justification, on denominational grounds, for ignoring this one.

But once I opened the book, Father Buliard, an Oblate Missionary who has spent 15 years in the Arctic... had me trapped.

I conclude, after reading Father Buliard's story from cover to cover, and thus having a high adventure, that this brief jacket blurb, as extravagant as it may seem, is indeed an understatement: « Out of the frozen North..... »

No romantic is Father Buliard... his frankness in dealing with his subject makes me suspect that this is perhaps one of the few truthful books ever written by a missionary.....

Please don't miss *INUK*. I thank this Long Robe, as the Eskimos call priests, for his delightful and urbane company.

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« *Portchester Item* » (June 7):

« *Inuk* » out of the frozen north comes this, one of the greatest stories of Eskimo adventure ever

told. It is a true account of a young French priest battling against the elements, the animals, and the hostility of the people. Here is one of the most thrilling, inspiring books you can find this year.

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« *San Francisco News* » Cal. (June 4th):

« Inuk »... « The Man ». This novel is an absorbing tale of an Eskimo's life within the Arctic Circle. I would guess that it will be on the best-seller lists before long.

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« *The Ensign* » (June 23rd):

.....The portrait of the Eskimo is painted by one who is at once missionary and anthropologist.....

.....The story of his trials and tribulations is put down with great faithfulness and great simplicity and the account of the building of the Mission of Christ the King.....makes as exciting an adventure story as one will find down the ages.

.....This is a remarkable book, unquestionably one of the great adventure stories of our time.....

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« *Montreal Gazette* » Canada (June 9th):

.....« INUK » ... might well be read by all Canadians interested in their own country and by all who cannot resist a tale of adventure and self-sacrifice.

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« *Hartfort Catholic Transcript* » Conn (July 1st):

If you cherish any sentimental ideas to the effect that uncivilized people are noble creatures, you would do well to avoid Father Roger Buliard's in-

formative and engrossing book, Inuk..... He went to the Arctic in 1934...and his experiences and observations in the interval make up a volum which, despite some needless repetitions, is completely free of dullness.....

The Eskimo population is steadily declining. But as long as any of these strange people remain, there will be priests like the gifted Father Buliard to strive to bring the saving truth to them.

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